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Serial No.: 09/973,180

Filed: October 10, 2001

For: **DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPEUTICS FOR AUTOSOMAL DOMINANT
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are the following:

- 1) Transmittal Letter; and
- 2) Second Supplemental Response to Official Action.

The Commissioner is hereby specifically authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

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Sir:

This is supplemental to the response transmitted to the Examiner via facsimile on January 12, 2004. In view of the following amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows.